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For: State-Delayed Technique and System to Remove Tones of Dynamic

Element Matching

Inventor:

Minsheng Wang

Our Ref:

1875.3760001

Sir:

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- 1. SKGF Cover Letter;
- 2. First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
- 3. Form PTO-1449, listing 5 documents and enclosing 4 documents;
- 4. Fee Transmittal;
- 5. Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$180.00 for Submission of Information Disclosure Statement fee; and
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